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Hi Kathryn:

this is a look at some of the themes we will be articulating at various meetings.

EPA Discussion Points:

- * Briefing on status of proposed Chuitna mine permit and top issues of concern
 - * Presentation of Native Village of Tyonek - IRA Council Resolution of opposition
 - * Review of EPA Authority and roles in the permitting process
 - * 404Q - Process and criteria overview - Discussion
 - * 404C - Process and criteria overview - Discussion
 - * EPA Technical Assistance and Resources available to Native Village of Tyonek and NARF
 - * Discussion on potential replication of EPA written "Assessment of Potential Mining Impacts on Salmon Ecosystems of Bristol Bay, Alaska regarding Pebble Mine. Is it possible for a similar assessment to be done for the Chuitna Watershed and Upper Cook Inlet with regards to the proposed Chuitna mine?
- Native Village of Tyonek - IRA Council requests from Federal Agencies:
- 1) Complete adherence to Government to Government and Consultation Policies with a true commitment to integrating Tribal input into decision-making
 - 2) Maximum protection of cultural sites, graves sites, ceremonial and sacred sites. Identify and protect.
 - 3) Complete commitment to protecting salmon, beluga whales and all foods important to the people of Tyoneks survival
 - 4) Improve the permitting process to ensure maximum tribal consultation and integrity in the permitting process
 - 5) Utilize expertise and resources from Headquarters and Regional Offices to assist Alaska based permitting staff in being thorough. Assess local permitting staffs knowledge and skills to ensure objectivity, a high level of science and a commitment and understanding on how to completely protect cultural sites and subsistence resources.
 - 6) Provide Technical Assistance and supports to the Native Village of Tyonek - IRA Council and the Native American Rights Fund / Alaska Office throughout the permitting process
 - 7) Exercise rigorous federal oversight over the State of Alaska, Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Alaska Department of Natural Resources and the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation